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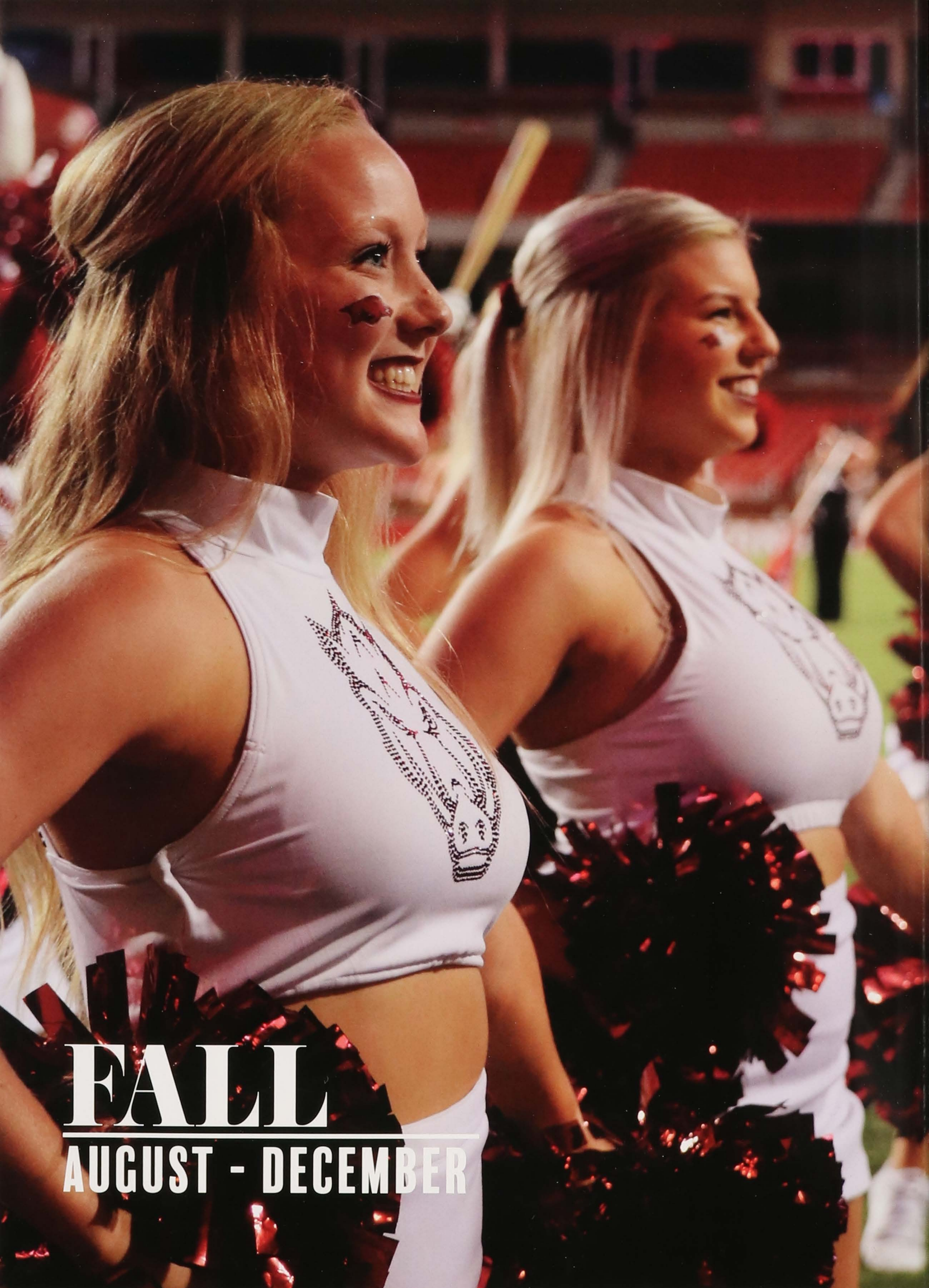
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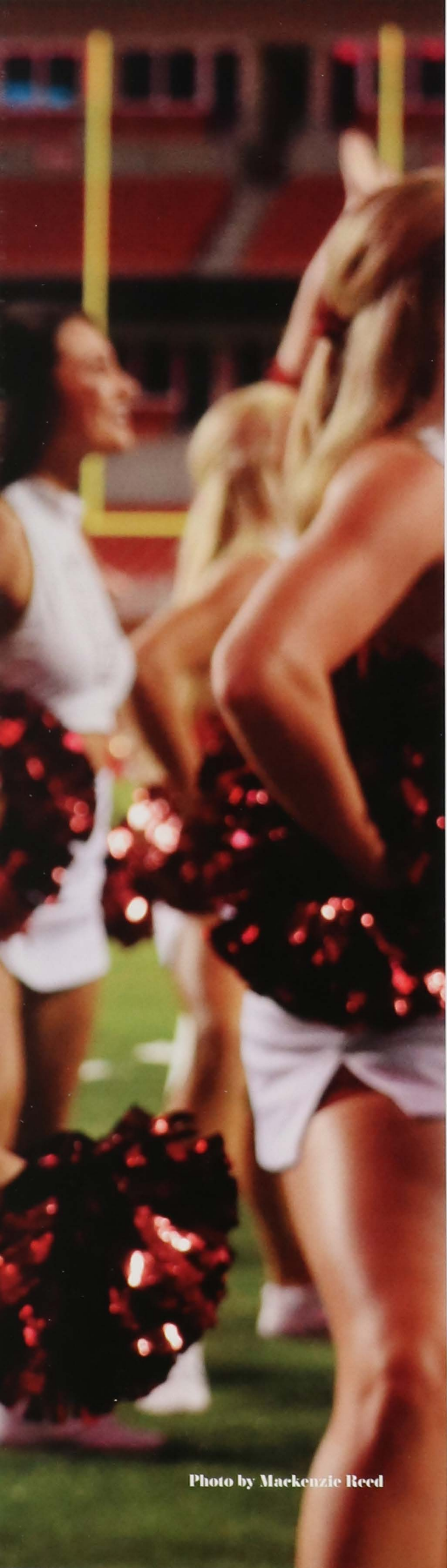


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Freshman Welcome Week

PROGRAMS AIMED TO HELP STUDENTS TRANSITION TO COLLEGE

PHOTOGRAPHY Mackenzie Reed and Sarah Rawls

A week-long event filled with activities centered around student success, A-Week is designed to help first-year students during their transition to college. This begins following move-in before the first week of the semester. Students are paired with an upper-class mentor that helps facilitate their new journey on campus. The week culminates with the Freshman Pep Rally, an annual event where students learn how to call the hogs and other traditions.



CUTTING CORNERS: Racing tricycles, two freshmen students compete in a series of games during A-Week. **INTRODUCTIONS:** Speaking into a microphone, a football player welcomes the newest class of students to campus; **SCHOOL SPIRIT:** Members of the cheerleading squad lead the crowd of freshmen students in a series of chants and cheers. The Freshman Pep Rally is an annual gathering aimed at teaching new students Razorback traditions.

FRESHMEN REACTIONS TO NEW ORIENTATION WEEK

"A-week allowed me to meet new people while also being able to begin my college experience slowly. I was able to get to know my classes and people in my classes."

- Ben Berris, Freshman Kinesiology Major

"A-week was a giant, week-long party. It was full of fun activities and was a great way to both explore campus and meet people."

- Mariah Jennings, Freshman Computer Science Major



"A-week was very helpful to get to know campus, and get to know people. There was a lot of fun activities and free food."

- Martha Arambel, Freshman Psychology Major

"A-week gave me many opportunities to meet new people and participate in activities before the semester even started. The first week would have been really boring without it."

- Jessica Williams, Freshman Landscape Architecture Major





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Mackenzie Reed

ARMY AND AIR FORCE ROTC Learning to Lead

STORY **Chloe Miller** | PHOTOGRAPHY **Susannah Gray**



CADETS SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCES

Kyle Cloutier

"In ROTC, everyone is there for similar reasons which makes our bonds a bit closer," said Kyle Cloutier, junior and small business management major. "The experiences we share [are a huge reason my friendships within the program are so different from others]. Not a lot of people will have to go through what we will have to or have already been through."

Katherine Graves

Graves is a junior majoring in English who wanted to follow in the footsteps of both her father and grandfather who were officers in the army. She acknowledges that the ratio of men in the military is much greater than that of women. However, she does not let this bring her down. "We need to let go of this 'man's job' mentality and realize that women can do anything," said Graves.

Fletcher Cowden

Cowden is a broadcasting journalism major and has found a way to incorporate all of his passions at once. "I use those (filmography) skills to help our public affairs officer create content to recruit and spread the word about what we do in ROTC," said Cowden.









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Susannah Gray

Schola Cantorum

STORY **Chloe Northeutt** | PHOTOGRAPHY **Chloe Miller**



SENIOR SCHOLANS REFLECT ON THEIR TIME IN CHOIR

Clayre Parson, President

"When I joined the choir as a freshman, I felt truly honored to be amongst musicians far more talented than myself. Four years later, I stand more grateful for Schola than I ever dreamed possible. I have become a far better musician, learned how to be a leader, and formed meaningful friendships. I encourage any student interested in singing to get involved in choir."

Nicholas Cross, Vice President

"Schola Cantorum is an auditioned group of outstanding singers who come together to be a part of something greater than themselves. To be in the choir, you need to be fully committed to doing your absolute best every rehearsal. You are expected to have strong relative pitch, strong understanding of the International Phonetic Alphabet, and outstanding rehearsal etiquette including punctuality. Most importantly, is your ability to sight read music and teach yourself difficult sections of music."

Julia Townsley, Four-Year Member

"The Schola Cantorum held me to a higher standard than any other choir I have been in. To be a member of this ensemble is a huge time commitment and all singers must give 100% at all times. I believe that it is the expectations of our ensemble, and how we continuously work to exceed them, that sets this choir apart. There is a sense of unity that is different from any other ensemble on campus, and we share the common goal to put beauty and meaning into every piece that we sing."



PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT: The Schola Cantorum is a highly selective choir that is currently led by chior director Dr. Stephen Caldwell and comprised of approximately fifty students. The choir presented the "Star Spangled Banner" at the University of Arkansas Women's Basketball game against the University of Tennessee on February 20th, 2020. The ensemble meets three times a week to practice. They perform their own concerts, as well as at campus events such as university athletic events.





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Chloe Miller





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Chloe Miller



Etched in Stone

UA STUDENTS CELEBRATE HOMECOMING ON THE HILL

STORY Chloe Miller | PHOTOGRAPHY Chloe Northcutt, Mackenzie Reed



The theme for homecoming was “Etched in Stone,” a reminder to students to leave their mark behind on the University of Arkansas. Festivities began October 28 and concluded November 2 with the football game against Mississippi State University. Throughout the week, students celebrated by participating in events such as a senior walk dedication, the homecoming parade, and an early tailgate.

The Associated Student Government named the Top 12 Homecoming candidates from a pool of students nominated for their contributions to campus. The court was honored at the football game. Chimdera Nzelu, nominated by Inspirational Chorale, was chosen as the 2019 Homecoming queen. Zan Johnson, nominated by the Volunteer Action Center, was chosen as the 2019 Homecoming king.

Homecoming week concluded November 2 with the football game against Mississippi State University. The Razorbacks ultimately fell to the Bulldogs, losing 54-24.

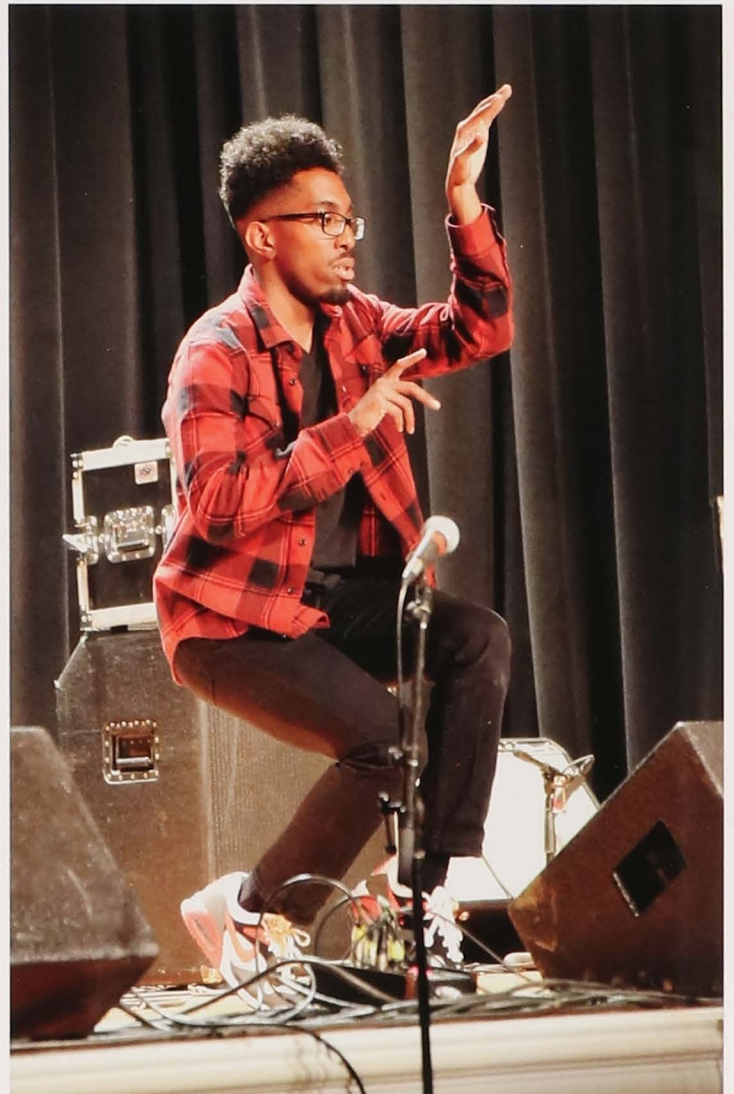
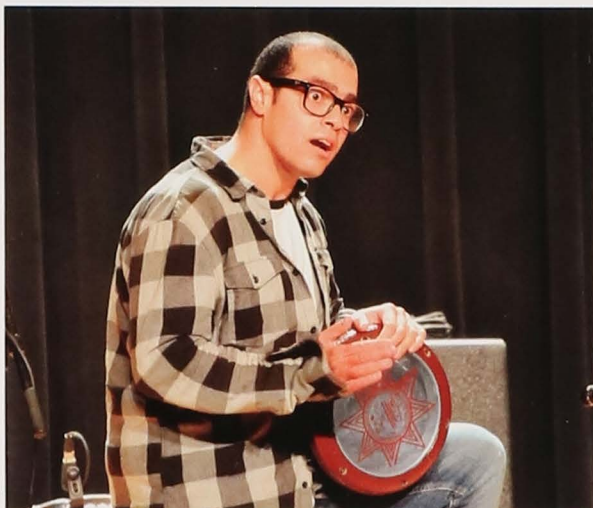
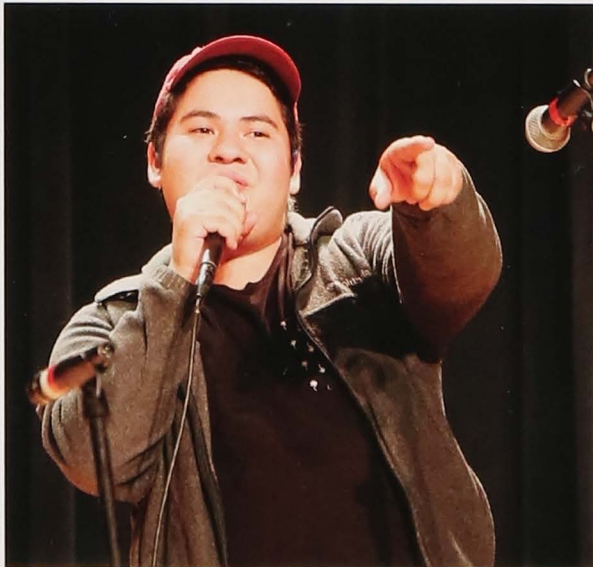




UA Talent Show and Battle of the Bands

STORY **Chloe Miller** | PHOTOGRAPHY **Chloe Miller**

On November 14, 2019, University Programs held their annual UA's Got Talent & Battle of the Bands event. There were a total of 10 acts who entered in the competition, and each of the performers were current students of the university. Talents showcased in the competition included singing, dancing, and playing various instruments. There were three winners for the talent portion of the contest and one winner for Battle of the Bands. For the talent portion, the winners were Erik "D-Kloud" Meyer (first place), Abdelrahman "Abud" Metwally (second place), and William Reid (third place). The band Evergreen (Battle of the Bands winner).



SPITTING BARS: Erick Amaya, senior, displays his beat-boxing skills at the annual talent show. A music major who goes by the stage name "D-Kloud," Amaya beat-boxes, sings, plays the keyboard and utilizes his skills on the trumpet during his performances; **HIS OWN BEAT:** Abdelrahman "Abud" Metwally, first-year graduate student, plays the Egyptian tabla during his act. The tabla is a hand drum used mostly in the Middle East and North Africa. **RHYTHM AND MOVES:** William Reid, sophomore, shows off his skills in an animation-style dance. He won third place in the talent category of the competition.



EVERGREEN: This pop-rock band consists Hunter Anderson, Jake Albritton, Ashlee Steffen, and Armon Afrasiabi. They performed the songs “Fail” and “Pressure” for the competition, and both songs were originals written by the band in 2019.



GRACE AND RILES: Consisting of first-year graduate students Grace Taylor and Riley Newsome, this duo performed “We’re Going to be Friends” by the White Stripes and “Devils Backbone” by the Civil Wars for the 2019 Battle of the Bands.





CARDINAL NIGHTS

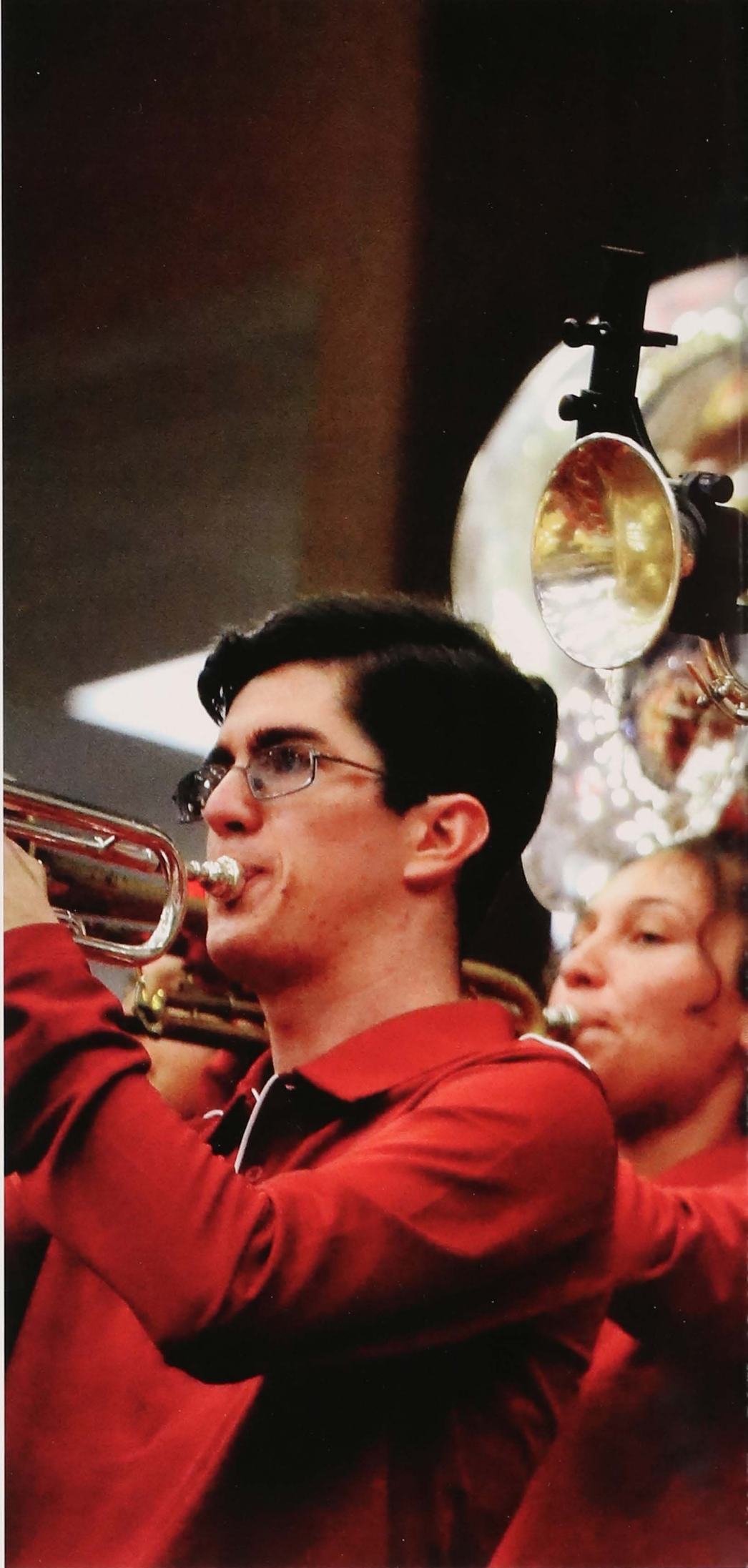
UARK Cardinal Nights (uarkCN) is a student-led board that focuses on developing fun and interactive events for students. These events are designed to be an on-campus way for students to meet new people and experience new activities throughout the semester. uarkCN is advised by one graduate student and one staff member in the department of New Student and Family Programs.

PHOTO BY
Sarah Rawls

THE BEST IN SIGHT AND SOUND

The Razorback Marching Band is the largest student organization at the University of Arkansas, with a member-count of over 350 students. Known as “The Best in Sight and Sound,” the RMB is the cornerstone of the four UARK athletic bands. The RMB actively supports several popular athletic traditions, such as in the Friday Night pep rallies in the Greek Theatre and in the formation of the “Big A” on the football field during their pregame performance. Auditions for the fall semester are held each spring semester beginning in January.

PHOTO BY
Chloe Miller





PROMOTING ON-CAMPUS DIVERSITY AND CONCLUSION INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

>> **Chloe Norheutt**

At the University of Arkansas, the International Students and Scholars (ISS) program is a way for students to explore unity and diversity on campus. Founded in 1927, the program strives to help international students to lead, to inspire, and to change campus in positive ways. They help students seek out opportunities to both expand their horizons and to succeed globally.

As a student, Abigail Olson met friends who had come from the ISS program, and she now works at the Global Outreach for the Fellowship Church. She was deeply impacted by her international friends and loved learning about their respective cultures. She stated that the International Students and Scholars Program on campus is the main resource for international students.

"They make sure the students have all of their proper paperwork and classes and are doing 'okay' both health-wise and class-wise throughout the entire school year," Olson said. "They are the main source for the students in getting involved and the main resource for them to figure out life

and school in the United States. They are also great at connecting international students to other students and to campus."

Diane Charles, a student from Dominica, agrees that ISS promotes respect for all students. She notes that international study can be very difficult, and having a university office solely devoted to supporting international students is a crucial necessity that is needed at every university.

"When Hurricane Maria struck my home country, members of the International Students and Scholars Program and Michael Freeman, the director of the program, were very quick in reaching out and ensuring our well-being," said Charles. "They were instrumental in giving support and working with other departments to ensure we were taken care of. Having an organization that cares about international students in such a way has greatly impacted me. ISS promotes mutual respect for all students, no matter where they come from."

Narmine Aissa, from Tunisia, is attending the University of Arkansas as a Lavallard Scholarship Scholar, which is a

program offered directly through ISS. She received help from Cynthia Smith, who wrote her recommendation letter so she could acquire this scholarship.

"ISS offered me the opportunity to be involved on campus through both volunteering and cultural activities. I was a very active member of ICT, the International Culture Team," said Aissa.

Like Abigail and Diane, Aissa values respect and the curiosity that is cultivated through the International Students and Scholars Program. ISS helped her get involved, on and off-campus, and she works as a member of the International Culture Team, working to immerse different cultures into the University of Arkansas community.

The International Students and Scholars program hopes to increase cultural and academic achievements while focusing on cultivating diversity, equity, civility, and inclusivity on campus. Micheal Freeman is director of the program, and he oversees a growing number of international students and scholars. In the spring of 2015, there were 1,534 students and 300 scholars from over 100 different countries.

AND SCHOLARS



RAFAEL RUBIO

Rafael Rubio, a junior majoring in marketing, is an international student originally from Panama. Throughout his time at the University of Arkansas, he has been involved with the International Students Organization, International Culture Team, works at the campus bookstore, and is currently a leader for the Spanish Conversation Program. "I started putting myself in places I felt like I wouldn't fit in. But it's about putting yourself through those different experiences," said Rubio.



DAVID OLATUNJI

David Olatunji, 22-year-old civil engineering major, is originally from Southern Africa, but has grown up in international school systems. He says that travelling the world and experiencing different cultures allows people to expand their viewpoints and empathize with others in a way that challenges themselves. "It's to your benefit to push yourself. You lose nothing from dreaming big. It benefits everyone," said Olatunji.

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Aahron Young

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BIKES, BLUES, & BBQ

Bikes, Blues, & BBQ is an annual motorcycle rally that is held in Fayetteville, AR. Held on Dickson Street, it is the world's largest charity motorcycle rally and has donated over \$2 million to local charities in the Northwest Arkansas Community. It was estimated that over 400,000 people attended the rally. A 2013 study conducted by the University of Arkansas Center for Business and Economic Research estimates that the event generates an economic impact of \$69-80 million to the state of Arkansas. While it is advertised as a family-friendly event, there has been controversy about merchandise that is sold at the event, such as Confederate flag memorabilia and white supremacist paraphernalia.

PHOTO BY
Elizabeth Green





PUTTING ON A SHOW

Two University of Arkansas students rehearse their lines before an upcoming showing of "Tartuffe." First performed in 1664, this modernized telling uses Scientology to make humorous jabs at religious extremism. The University of Arkansas theatre department hosts six different productions throughout the school year.

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Aahron Young



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GO GREEK

Panhellenic Bid Day took place on Saturday, August 24, at the Chi Omega Greek theatre. Bid Day signals the end of Bid Week and is the day sororities extend their invite to new members to join their chapters. Approximately 1,500 students took place in recruitment activities during the Fall 2019 bid cycle. There are currently 11 Panhellenic Greek organizations at the University of Arkansas.



PHOTO BY
Heidi Kirk







WOO PIG SOOIE

Students watch from the stands as the Razorbacks play Mississippi State University at the Homecoming football game on November 2. The Razorbacks lost this game with a final score of 54-24 and had an overall season record of 2-10.

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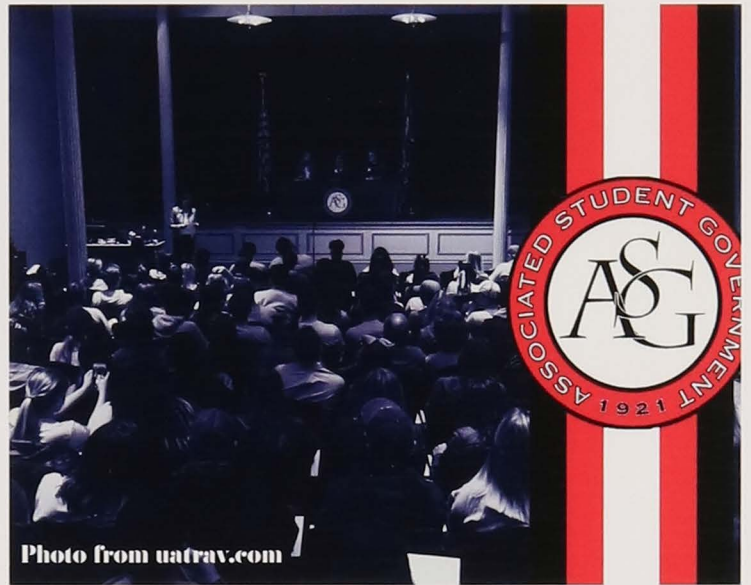


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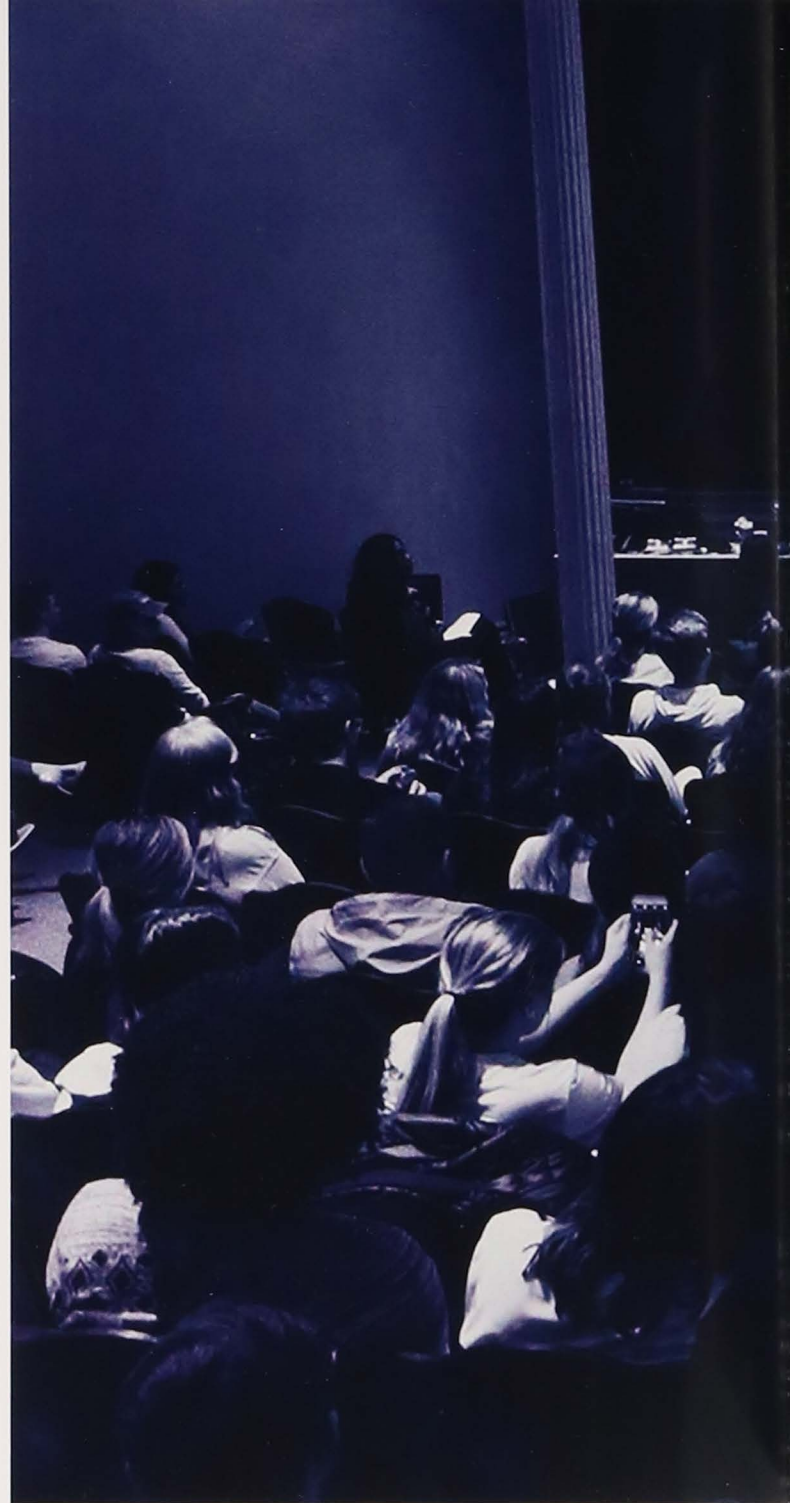
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ASG 2020 GENERAL ELECTION

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>> **Kate Duby**



More than 5,400 students voted in the 2020 Associated Student Government general election March 2-4, approving senators from five of the six undergraduate colleges and an amendment to the ASG Constitution.

Voter turnout decreased by about 340 students compared to the 2019 general election. The ASG Judiciary released the election results for senate and Referendum Item 1 on March 6 on the ASG website.

Voters approved Referendum Item 1, the only referendum on the ballot this year, which proposed an amendment to the ASG Constitution to create a Membership Development Coordinator position within ASG.

The referendum item passed with 3,618 “yes” votes and 277 “no” votes, while 438 students



selected “Prefer Not to Respond,” which factored into the total vote count, and 1,065 students opted to skip the question, which did not factor into the total vote count.

Sitting ASG President Jared Pinkerton is one of eight co-authors of the referendum. Pinkerton is excited to see the referendum pass and to fulfill his campaign promise of reforming the student government for the better, he said.

“This is one of the final (initiatives) we’re doing this year that will allow us to better serve the student body,” Pinkerton said, “and I’m thrilled that the student body has voted for this constitutional change that’s going to allow us to do a whole lot more.”

In addition to the referendum, voters elected 38 students to represent them in the ASG Senate.

Students elected four senators from the Dale

Bumpers College of Agricultural Food and Life Sciences, 13 senators from the J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences and seven senators from the College of Engineering, filling all of the available seats for those colleges.

Students elected five senators from the College of Education and Health Professions out of eight available seats, and nine senators from the Sam Walton College of Business out of 12 available seats.

No students from the Fay Jones School of Architecture and Design ran for senate.

The remaining seats will be filled as an at-large seat during the Fall 2020 ASG Vacancy Election, according to the ASG Judiciary.

Full election results and details are listed on the ASG website.





EMPOWERING STUDENTS

Jordan Lackey, freshman Empower student, chats with one of her residents assistants at the “Grill on the Hill” event hosted in the Maple courtyard. She is one of the many Empower students on campus. EMPOWER is a four-year college experience program for students with cognitive disabilities. Lackey is also a member of the Sigma Phi Lambda sorority on campus.

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Xavier Smith



Patience Billing cuts out materials for a storyboard Jan. 29. Photo by Haydon King

RSO UPLIFTS UNITES BLACK WOMEN ON CAMPUS

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>> **Abbi Ross**

Since 2014, black women at the UofA have found mentorship and a space for open discussion through Students Advocating for Stronger Sisterhood, a Registered Student Organization.

Almost six years after the RSO's founding, SASS executive board members announced that the University of Memphis will soon establish its own chapter.

"What we're about is bringing college women together and allowing them to have a safe place on campus to discuss what

we go through as women," said Jakayla Storey, a UA senior and SASS president. "We really try to focus on relationships among minority women."

The UA chapter has 54 members. Women of all races may attend the organization's monthly meetings.

Addison Jones, a junior at the University of Memphis, reached out to Storey after she saw social media posts about SASS and wanted to do something similar on her own campus, she said.

"I loved how there was something there, how girls had an opportunity to have somewhere to go," Jones said. "I know that girls feel like they



don't have anyone to talk to, or a safe environment to talk about anything and everything."

The first general body meeting for the University of Memphis chapter will be Feb. 10. Jones said she is excited to see the sisterhood that SASS will bring to her campus.

"You have all these girls surrounding you with good energy, positive energy," Jones said. "They just uplift you."

Storey joined SASS during her freshman year and said that SASS has given her a place to be herself and create an open dialogue with other black women.

The quick bond and relationships she formed with other girls helped

her realize that SASS was the place for her, Storey said.

"If someone told me this is what I would be doing a couple of years ago, I would have been like 'That is insane, power to her,' but here I am now," Storey said. "It means the world to me and really is something that I will leave college truly missing, but also truly feeling like I left my legacy here."

SASS members have always had the dream of making the group larger but never thought it would happen so fast, Skkye Robinson, a junior and SASS outreach chair, said.

"For us as this small organization, to be able to spread out to another campus that's not even in our state, it is huge for us," Robinson said.

SASS gave Robinson the chance to connect with other black women on campus and make friends, she said.

"It's such a beautiful moment to share for ladies who are of like mind and who are my people," Robinson said. "They are my sisters, they are truly my sisters."

The first SASS week on the UA campus will be at the beginning of March. Members will work to share the purpose of the group. Attendees can participate in activities like karaoke and a paint and chat event, Storey said. SASS will collect feminine products and toiletries to give to a women's shelter throughout the week.

At the end of the week, members will learn more about black women in dance, and have a dance instructor come and teach, Storey said.

"It's really special I think to have an organization that plays such a big role in someone's life," Storey said. "It's how I met so many of my friends and I do see a lot of them as sisters."

STUDENTS SHARE THEIR QUARANTINE ACTIVITIES

Baking and Painting

INTERVIEWS **Chloe Northcutt and Tuesdae Justis**

Lindsey Garcia



"[Something] that's been helping me out during quarantine is crafts! I've been knitting, crocheting, and painting with my friends over zoom. It's kept me busy and I get to create presents for my friends and family. Another thing [that's helped me] is my sorority. My sisters at Sigma Phi Lambda have been amazing and checked up on me to make sure that I am okay. It has really helped me stay grounded in my faith to have all my wonderful sisters surrounding me."

Peri Ortiz

"[During quarantine] I've been taking a ton of photos and trying to get out more in nature because we now have plenty of time to! It's been a great way to relax and just enjoy my time back home."



Madison Ceola



"When I haven't been doing my schoolwork, I've spent time with my family and pets. I have also done plenty of baking, including making my own birthday cake. I'm glad to have had this time to relax and have fun, but I'm ready to return to campus and see my friends."

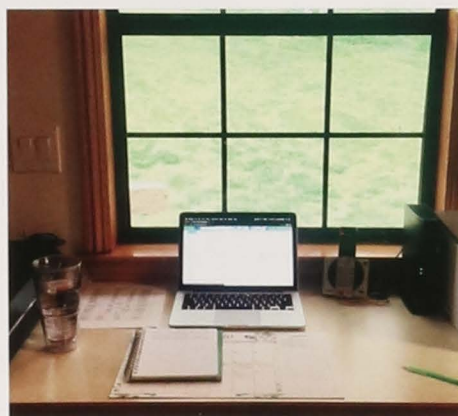
Ianna Williams

"I had my birthday on the fifth at home with my family. I've also managed to set up a little studio and started doing projects that rely more on paint and less on kilns. I do not like online school, but one of the few upsides to this situation is that I'm spending more time with my little brother and we've grown a lot closer."



Hanna Williams

"Working remotely has been an experience that I have mixed feelings about. My job is much harder, I live in a remote part of the state where the Internet connection is spotty at best, and it's much harder to communicate. However, I have gotten to know my family even more than I did before. I have spent more time outside than I have in a long time. I have slowed my entire life down, which has allowed me to clean, organize and make my life simpler. I am more calm than ever have been. I work from home, where I can do my entire job (even if it is slightly more difficult), I have time to cook healthy meals, exercise more, and read more. Overall, it's made me a more calm person."



Patrick Claybrook

"Being an architecture major, quarantine was a difficult adjustment to make because it is a very hands-on major. Because of this, I used all the extra time I had working on my final project. Although it was unconventional because we were unable to make physical models of our designs, the circumstances taught me how to make do with the resources I had."



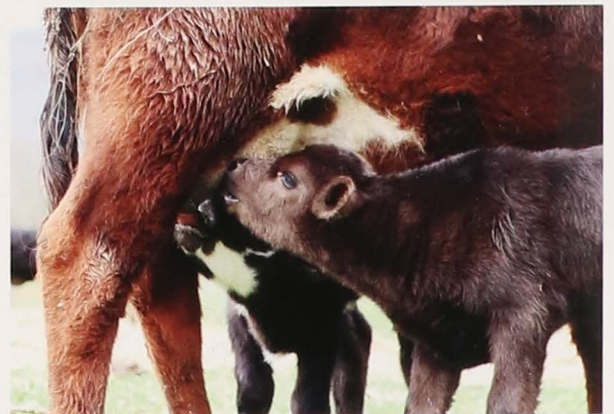
Shelby Flemming



"I am a third year Master of Fine Arts student at the University of Arkansas School of Art. My thesis exhibition titled "Gut Feeling" was set to open March 30, due to COVID-19 and the closure of the University of Arkansas Campus the exhibition was postponed. Like many other artists in my position, I never imagined my exhibition would be postponed due to a pandemic. This is a very ambiguous period in our lives and the only thing we can do is be patient with ourselves and others. During this time, I sought out what I could do as an artist to aid my community. Volunteering with Arkansas Arts and Fashion Forum, I joined a growing group of over 83 local artists to help make masks for healthcare workers. Arkansas Arts and Fashion Forum is providing fabric, instructions on how to make masks, and drop off locations in Rodgers, Springdale, and Fayetteville. As of April 29, Arkansas Arts and Fashion Forum has donated over 2,355 Masks to local hospitals, clinics, nursing homes, and assisted living facilities."

Kenley Bramall

"Online classes are definitely a challenge, especially with rural internet, but there are positives to the situation, such as being home during calving season. I've also been able to take advantage of being home on the farm by sharpening my photography skills."



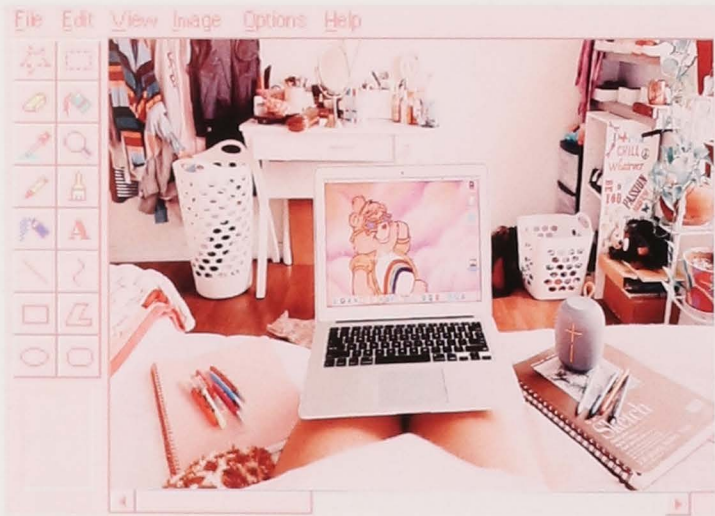
Sofia Poudel



"Quarantine for me has been really boring since I have so much free time in my hands, but I've been doing a lot of things to keep myself busy. That includes making a lot of TikToks, watching almost every show on Netflix, and cooking! I've even made Nepali dumplings from scratch by myself for the first time and the TikTok Dalgona coffee every day."

Piper Ramirez

"Quarantine has given me a lot time to take and edit photos. I'm an art major, so most of my homework has been pretty fun to finish!"



Shelby Vaught



"It's been a challenge to be productive during this pandemic, but I find that school has been a great distraction from everything going on. As a graduating senior, I'm incredibly sad that I will not be attending class anymore or having a graduation ceremony."



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Sadie Rucker

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VIEWS FROM CAMPUS

Two students sit and visit at the Chi Omega Greek Theatre. The theatre was a gift to the University of Arkansas from the Chi Omega sorority, and construction was completed in 1930.

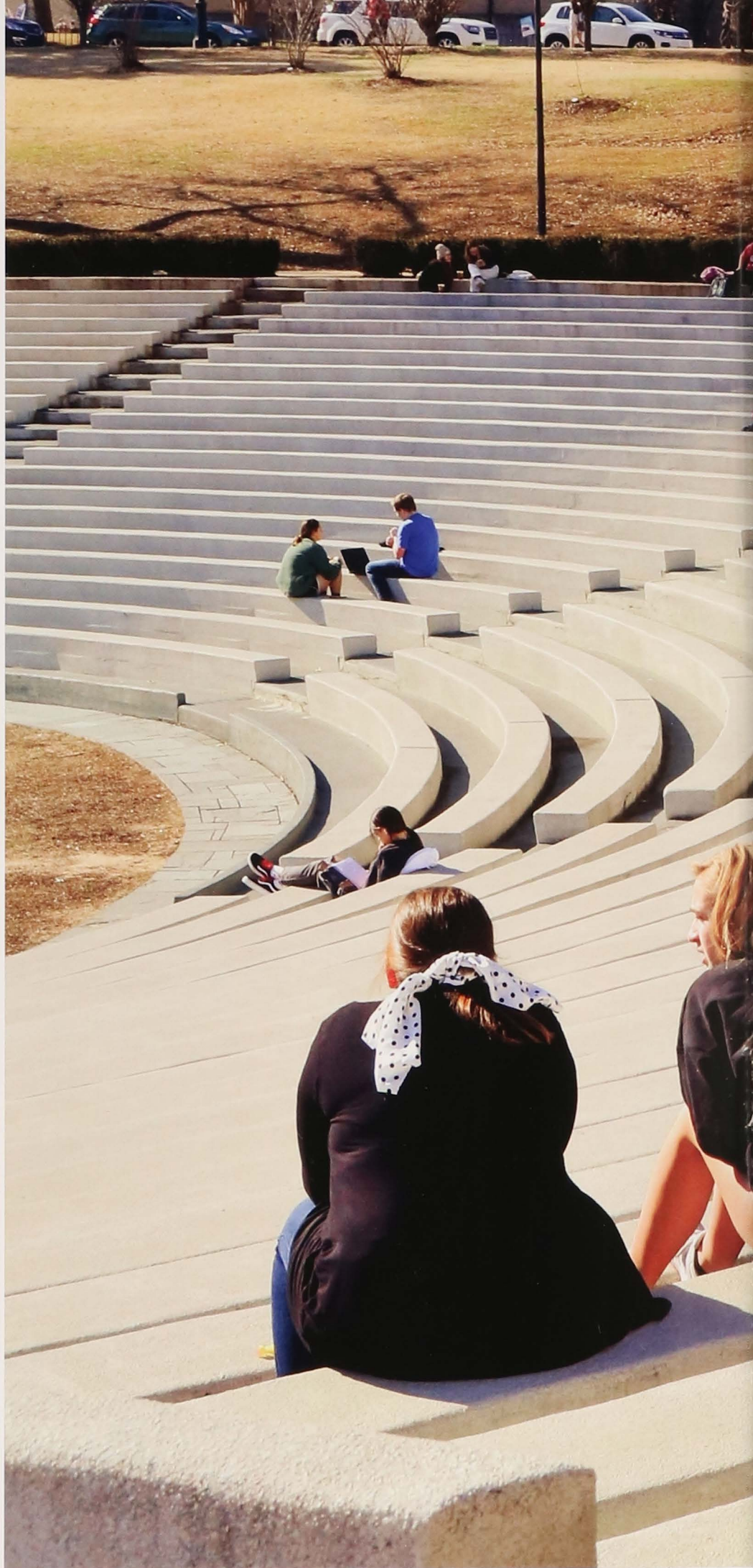


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CARDINAL NIGHTS

Students dance the night away at Silent Disco, an event coordinated by Cardinal Nights, on January 16th.

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Tuesdae Justis



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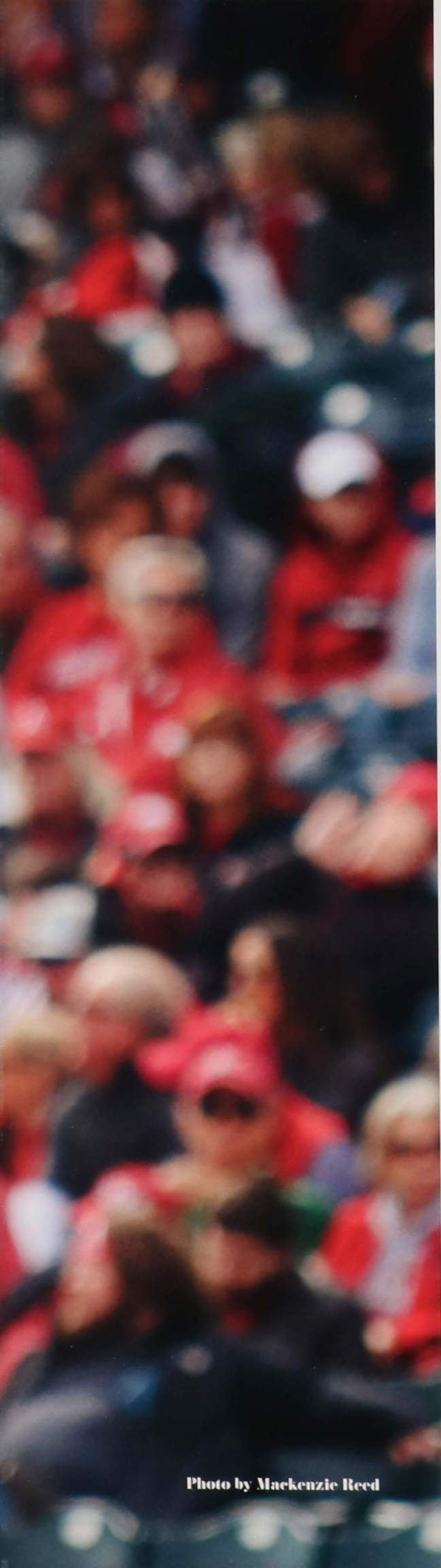


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RAZORBACK BASEBALL

The Arkansas Razorback baseball team began their 2020 season with a 3-0 sweep against Eastern Illinois on February 14-16th at Baum Walker Stadium.



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BASEBALL

DESIGN Mackenzie Reed | PHOTOGRAPHY Haydon King and Mackenzie Reed



SCOREBOARD RESULTS & Schedules

Feb. 14	Eastern Illinois	5-1
Feb. 15	Eastern Illinois	10-1
Feb. 16	Eastern Illinois	12-3
Feb. 20	Gonzaga	7-5
Feb. 21	Gonzaga	9-3
Feb. 22	Gonzaga	5-0
Feb. 23	Gonzaga	9-5
Feb. 28	Oklahoma	6-3
Feb. 29	Texas	8-7
Mar. 1	Baylor	3-2
Mar. 3	Illinois State	8-7
Mar. 6	South Alabama	13-6
Mar. 7	South Alabama	15-2
Mar. 8	South Alabama	5-3
Mar. 10	Grand Canyon	6-1
Mar. 11	Grand Canyon	10-9

Games after March 11th were canceled due to COVID-19.
Red denotes win





MEN'S BASKETBALL

The Razorbacks defeated Tennessee 86-69 at home, gaining their sixth SEC win of the season.

PHOTO BY
Mackenzie Reed

ATHLETICS
MEN'S BASKETBALL

MEN'S BASKETBALL

The Razorbacks fell to the Kentucky Wildcats 73-66 on Jan. 18 after a tense matchup in front of a sold-out crowd at Bud Walton Arena.



PHOTO BY
Sadie Rucker







MEN'S BASKETBALL

The Razorbacks ended their season with an overall record of 20-12. Conference play was cut short this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

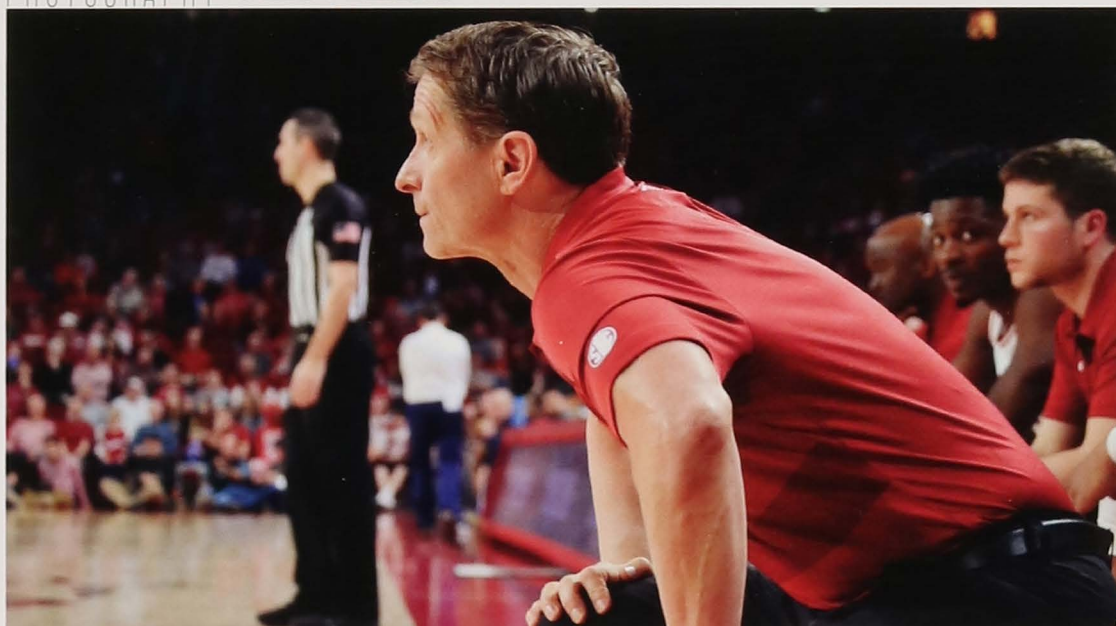
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MEN'S BASKETBALL

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SCOREBOARD RESULTS & Schedules

Oct. 20	Little Rock	79-64
Oct. 25	SW Oklahoma State	78-51
Nov. 5	Rice	91-43
Nov. 12	North Texas	66-43
Nov. 16	Montana	64-46
Nov. 19	Texas Southern	82-51
Nov. 22	South Dakota	77-56
Nov. 25	Georgia Tech	62-61
Nov. 30	Northern Kentucky	66-60
Dec. 3	Austin Peay	69-61
Dec. 7	Western Kentucky	86-79
Dec. 14	Tulsa	98-79
Dec. 21	Valparaiso	72-68
Dec. 29	Indiana	71-64
Jan. 4	Texas A&M	69-59
Jan. 8	LSU	79-77
Jan. 11	Ole Miss	76-72
Jan. 15	Vanderbilt	75-55
Jan. 18	Kentucky	73-66
Jan. 22	Mississippi State	77-70
Jan. 25	TCU	79-67
Jan. 29	South Carolina	79-77
Feb. 1	Alabama	82-78
Feb. 4	Auburn	79-76
Feb. 8	Missouri	83-79
Feb. 11	Tennessee	82-61
Feb. 15	Mississippi State	77-76
Feb. 18	Florida	73-68
Feb. 22	Missouri	78-68
Feb. 26	Tennessee	86-69
Feb. 29	Georgia	99-89
Mar. 4	LSU	99-90
Mar. 7	Texas A&M	77-69
Mar. 11	Vanderbilt	86-73

Games after March 11th were canceled due to COVID-19.
Red denotes win





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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

PHOTOGRAPHY **Chloe Miller**



SCOREBOARD RESULTS & Schedules

Oct. 24	Pittsburg State	97-63
Oct. 30	OK City University	77-62
Nov. 8	New Orleans	82-52
Nov. 11	McNeese State	101-58
Nov. 14	Oral Roberts	96-64
Nov. 17	Stony Brook	88-58
Nov. 20	Belmont	91-60
Nov. 24	California	84-80
Nov. 29	Fordham	71-59
Nov. 30	Wisconsin	68-64
Dec. 7	Kansas State	81-72
Dec. 11	Tulsa	91-41
Dec. 15	Northwestern State	99-39
Dec. 21	Little Rock	86-53
Dec. 29	UT-Martin	96-46
Jan. 2	Texas A&M	84-77
Jan. 5	Auburn	86-70
Jan. 9	South Carolina	91-82
Jan. 12	Missouri	90-73
Jan. 19	Vanderbilt	100-66
Jan. 23	Georgia	64-55
Jan. 26	Florida	79-57
Jan. 30	Alabama	66-48
Feb. 2	Missouri	85-81
Feb. 6	South Carolina	86-65
Feb. 9	Kentucky	103-85
Feb. 16	Ole Miss	108-64
Feb. 20	Tennessee	83-75
Feb. 23	Florida	83-80
Feb. 27	Mississippi State	92-83
Mar. 1	LSU	75-71
Mar. 5	Auburn	90-68
Mar. 6	Texas A&M	67-66
Mar. 7	South Carolina	90-64

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FOOTBALL

The Razorbacks fell to the Mississippi State Bulldogs 54-24 on Oct. 2 in the team's sixth SEC loss of the season.



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FOOTBALL

Overall, the Razorbacks had a season record of 2-10. They were led by head coach Chad Morris, who was replaced at the end of the season by Sam Pittman for the upcoming season.

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FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD

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Aug. 31	Portland State	20-13
Sep. 7	Ole Miss	31-17
Sep. 14	Colorado State	55-34
Sep. 21	San Jose State	31-24
Sep. 28	Texas A&M	31-27
Oct. 12	Kentucky	24-20
Oct. 19	Auburn	51-10
Oct. 26	Alabama	48-7
Nov. 2	Mississippi State	54-24
Nov. 9	Western Kentucky	45-19
Nov. 23	LSU	56-20
Nov. 29	Missouri	54-14

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SAM PITTMAN NAMED NEXT ARKANSAS HEAD COACH

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Sam Pittman shakes hands with Vice Chancellor and Director of Athletics Hunter Yuracheck as he accepts the job of head coach for Razorback football. Pittman formerly served as assistant coach for the Razorbacks under former head coach Bret Bielema. *Photo courtesy of Razorback Athletics*

>> **Antonio Tinajero**

Hours after leading the Georgia Bulldog offense in the 2019 Southeastern Conference Championship game, former Arkansas assistant coach Sam Pittman was named as the next head coach of Razorback football on Sunday.

"In his previous tenure, Sam and his wife Jamie fell in love with the state of Arkansas and with Razorback fans," Vice Chancellor and Director of Athletics Hunter Yuracheck said in a press release. "They know what a special place

this is and are excited for the opportunity to come back to the home of the Razorbacks."

Pittman was an original coaching staff member under former Hog coach Bret Bielema from 2013-15 before leaving for Georgia. With the Razorbacks, Pittman's first two offensive lines allowed the least amount of sacks per game in the entire conference and included both former and current NFL talent such as Travis Swanson, who earned first-team All-America honors under Pittman, Sebastian Tretola, Dan

Skipper and Frank Ragnow.

Ragnow is now the starting center for the Detroit Lions.

Bielema had many drawbacks as Arkansas' coach, but recruiting was not one of them. Three top-25 classes ('13,'15,'16) were among the best things that came from Bielema's run with the Razorbacks. Credit must be given to Pittman as well, who served as Bielema's recruiting coordinator throughout this time.

After Arkansas, Pittman took the job as offensive line coach for Kirby Smart's first staff at Georgia

in 2016. With the Bulldogs, Pittman continued to have success, with the titles to back it up this time.

In four years at Georgia, Pittman helped the team to three-straight SEC Eastern Division titles, and in 2017, an SEC Championship, plus the school's first-ever College Football Playoff appearance in a win over Oklahoma in the Rose Bowl.

"Sam Pittman has been an integral part of successful teams that have competed at the highest levels, including for SEC and NCAA Championships," Yurachek said. "As one of the nation's premier offensive line coaches, he has built a remarkable body of work thanks to his tremendous passion for his student-athletes, including teaching the fundamentals and developing his players on and off the field."

Pittman has also coached at other Power 5 schools such as Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas, North Carolina and Tennessee in his 32-year career.

"Sam knows the Southeastern Conference inside and out and is one of the nation's best recruiters," Yurachek said. "His connections throughout football will enable him to build a quality coaching staff."

Pittman will replace Barry Lunney Jr., another former Bielema assistant, who served as interim head coach for the final two games of the 2019 season after Chad Morris was fired for his poor 4-18 overall record in two years in Fayetteville.

This is Yurachek's first football coaching hire since being named Athletic Director in late 2017. He is already credited with the hires of men's basketball coach Eric Musselman and gymnastics coach Jordyn Wieber.



TRACK & FIELD

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TENNIS

SCOREBOARD RESULTS & Schedules

MEN'S

Jan. 25	Drake	4-1
Jan. 25	Wichita State	4-3
Jan. 26	Middle TN State	4-2
Feb. 1	Baylor	4-3
Feb. 1	Omaha	6-1
Feb. 7	Oklahoma	3-4
Feb. 15	Memphis	4-3
Feb. 19	Tulsa	3-4
Feb. 28	Mississippi State	2-5
Mar. 1	Ole Miss	3-4
Mar. 7	AR Pine Bluff	7-0
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SCOREBOARD RESULTS & Schedules

WOMEN'S

Jan. 18	Memphis	5-2
Jan. 25	Arizona	5-2
Jan. 26	Pepperdine	4-1
Jan. 31	Oklahoma State	6-1
Feb. 2	Wichita State	4-0
Feb. 7	UNLV	5-2
Feb. 8	Virginia Tech	4-3
Feb. 15	Missouri State	4-0
Feb. 28	Ole Miss	4-3
Mar. 1	Texas A&M	4-0
Mar. 8	Missouri	4-1

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SOCCKER HOGS ENJOY BANNER YEAR DESPITE ANOTHER EARLY ELIMINATION

Story Originally Published by *The Arkansas Traveler* Jan. 15, 2020

>> **Robert Stewart**

In one of the Arkansas soccer program's best seasons, the Razorbacks' early departure from the NCAA Tournament is hardly definitive of the 2019 Arkansas soccer team.

The Razorbacks went 16-3-2 in the regular season, including 8-1-1 in Southeastern Conference play. Their 25 points were good for the first regular-season SEC title in program history, en route to their fourth-straight appearance in the SEC Tournament final and their first-ever national seed in the NCAA Tournament.

After a road win to start the season, the Hogs returned home only to lose in extra time to the Oklahoma Sooners. Junior defender Haley VanFossen said that the loss to Oklahoma motivated the team and drove them for the remainder of the season.

Senior forward Tori Cannata mentioned the magnitude of the early-season loss.

"Losing to OU shocked us at the beginning of the year," Cannata said. "We had to get our butts into gear after that."

The Hogs made some drastic improvements at the end of August heading into the crucial month of September. The Hogs went almost the entire month without conceding a goal, with South Carolina notching the only score allowed by senior goalkeeper Katie Lund in the month of September on the 29th.

Hale's squad went on a tear in September, including seven Arkansas wins, all shutouts, three of which came against ranked teams. The most prominent of these was the 2-0 defeat of the No. 1 North Carolina Tar Heels in front of the home crowd in Fayetteville.

"Honestly, it's one of the coolest things to look back on," VanFossen said. "We beat the No. 1 team. They made it all the way to the NCAA championship, and we're their only loss."

"It's something that we're going to look back on and think of for the rest of our lives. We really showed them that Arkansas has something to prove."

Hale praised his team's consistency after the first three games of the season. To his point, the Razorbacks swept the remaining five-match non-conference slate, won eight of their 10 SEC matches and left just five points on the table to claim the regular-season SEC title.

"The way we played throughout the SEC showed who we were and what we wanted to accomplish this season," Cannata said.

Arkansas accumulated the most points in conference play to secure the top seed in the SEC Tournament. Wins over Ole Miss and Florida



Photo by Sadie Rucker

on Nov. 5 and 7, respectively, propelled the Hogs into their fourth consecutive championship match, where they fell to a top-10 South Carolina team for the second time in 2019.

The Razorbacks remained among the nation's top 10 teams following their second-place tournament finish. The selection committee deemed Arkansas a No. 3 seed, meaning no home-field advantage in rounds two and three of the NCAA Tournament. Nonetheless, it was the program's first ever national seed.

The first-round match against North Texas took place in Fayetteville in front of a packed Razorback Field. The Hogs dominated possession all night under the monotonous blaring of vuvuzelas. 1,331 fans saw a thorough 3-0 thrashing of the Mean Green in the final match at Razorback Field in 2019.

In the second round, the Hogs traveled to Provo, Utah, in hopes of making it to the national quarterfinals. In a game that mirrored the Hogs' second-round matchup in 2018 against Virginia Tech, Arkansas met the unseeded North Carolina State Wolfpack.

After falling behind by two goals in the second half, the Razorbacks mustered a late comeback effort to draw within one goal. As time ran out, star freshman Anna Podojil fired a potential buzzer-beating equalizer that sailed a couple inches north of the crossbar. It was the fourth second-round defeat Arkansas suffered since 2014.

"It's hard to look past," VanFossen said. "I feel like it was just one of those games where we just didn't

perform our best, but I don't feel like that defined the season for us."

Arkansas was one of the first national seeds to be eliminated from the tournament.

"It's not all about wins and losses; it's also about getting better as a program, and I think that's something we did this year," Cannata said.

Hale noted that Arkansas set program records in goals for and goals against this season. The Hogs' 62 goals for led the SEC in 2019, 11 more than second-place Texas A&M. The Hogs' 11 goals against resulted in a 0.47 goals allowed per game average, second in the SEC to national quarter finalist South Carolina.

"(This season was) the first time we beat a number one and our first SEC championship. We don't want to overlook that," Hale said.

Arkansas finished the season ranked 12th in the nation.

"I'm definitely happy with the way (the season) went," Cannata said. "I wish we would have gone further in the tournament, but other than that I couldn't have asked for a better season with a better group of girls."

Arkansas will return to play in August 2020.

"I think (the team is) definitely going to get better," Cannata said. "I think whoever comes in in the fall or spring, I think (next year's players) are going to have to do a lot to raise the level even more, but I definitely think the seniors next year, everyone on the team, has what it takes to do even better next year."

SWIMMING & DIVING

PHOTOGRAPHY Frances Wagnon



SCOREBOARD RESULTS & Schedules

Oct. 5	Little Rock	161-121
Oct. 12	Stanford	186-105
Oct. 26	Auburn	195.5-101.5
Nov. 8	Kentucky	254-99
Nov. 8	NC State	261-91
Nov. 8	Missouri	285-68
Jan. 18	Oklahoma Baptist	234-58
Jan. 18	Drury	203-83
Jan. 24	Houston	163.5-136.5
Jan. 25	Texas A&M	162-130
Feb. 1	Kansas	178-118
Feb. 18	SEC Championship	10th
Feb. 19	SEC Championship	10th
Feb. 20	SEC Championship	10th
Feb. 21	SEC Championship	10th
Feb. 22	SEC Championship	10th

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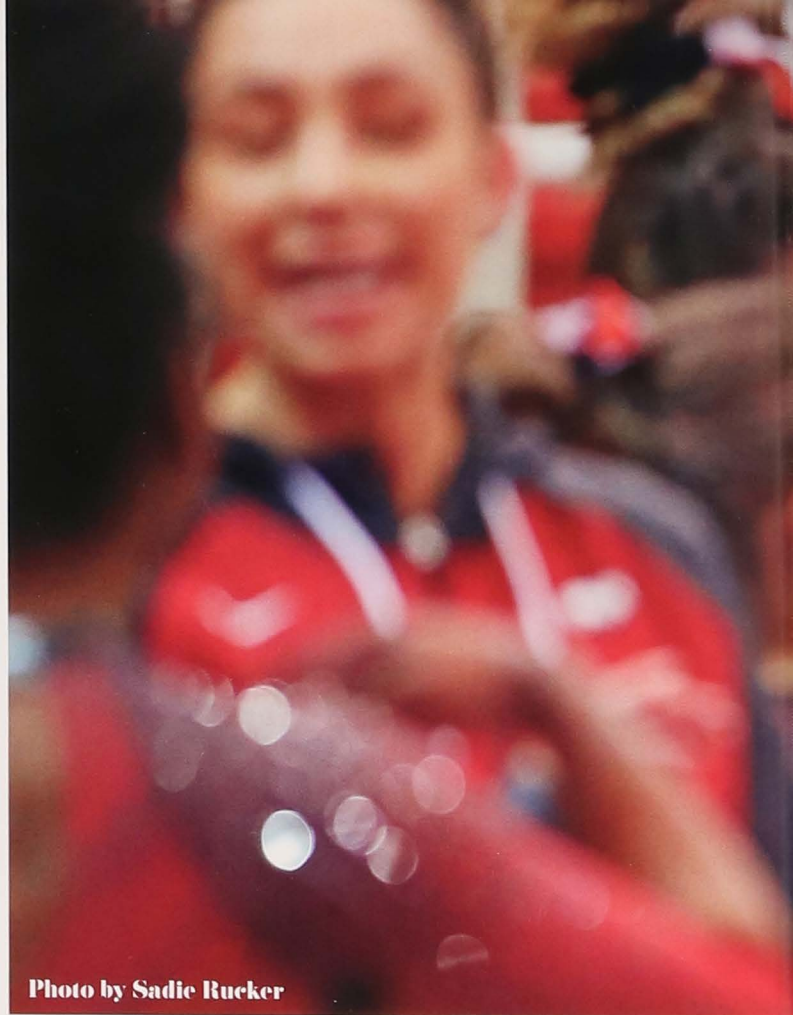


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OLYMPIC GYMNAST TAKES HELM OF ARKANSAS TEAM

Story Originally Published by *The Arkansas Traveler* Dec. 3, 2019

>> Sarah Komar

A former world champion, Olympic gold medalist and sexual abuse victim advocate has entered uncharted territory at the UofA this year as the first Olympian to coach an NCAA gymnastics team.

Jordyn Wieber, 24, was named head coach of Razorback Gymnastics on April 24 following the retirement of former head coach and program founder Mark Cook. She chose to apply for the UA opening because she wanted the opportunity to grow a program of her own, she said. While Wieber thinks taking over from the program's founder at age 24 is a daunting task, she is prepared for the challenge, she said.

"I definitely feel the eyes on me," Wieber said. "A lot of people saying, 'Can she do it? She's only 24,' and I usually say, 'I don't feel like I'm 24,'" Wieber said. "I feel like I'm much older than that, just because of everything I've been through in my gymnastics career and in my life."

Wieber came to the UofA this summer after spending three years as a volunteer assistant coach at UCLA. Wieber said learning from now-retired UCLA head coach Valerie Kondo Field made her realize for the first time that she wanted to spend her career coaching.

The theme Wieber developed for the 2020 season, RISE (Ready, Ignite, Sizzle, Explode), breaks the months of training and competition into segments, and athletes set personal and team goals for each



portion of the year. She chose the theme because when she arrived at the UofA, she saw her athletes as “a team on the rise,” she said.

Bailey Lovett, a freshman gymnast, said she appreciates the way RISE has brought the team together. Lovett was excited to learn Wieber would be head coach, she said. Learning from Wieber and assistant coaches Chris Brooks and Catelyn Orel has been unlike any of Lovett’s previous experiences with coaches, she said.

“There’s more young energy in the gym now, so it’s more like she’s trying to motivate us and really can relate to us,” Lovett said. “They’re helping me grow as a person in the gym, which is starting to go outside the gym as well.”

Wieber is also bringing her elite competitive history and accompanying life experiences to the job. Wieber, who was named to the U.S. national team at age 11, won the 2011 World Artistic Gymnastics Championships in Tokyo. In 2012, she competed in the Summer Olympics in London as part of the Team USA delegation nicknamed the “Fierce Five,” who won gold in the team competition.

Sarah Shaffer, a junior gymnast, thinks Wieber and her team have brought positive change because they have taken the time to learn about their athletes’ lives in and out of the gym, she said.

“I think they’ve both done a good job caring about our practices, but also caring about what’s going on

outside of the gym,” Shaffer said. “It’s easy to want to work hard for them.”

While she achieved many victories during her career, Wieber also experienced something she said has been a systemic problem in elite sports. Starting at age 14, Wieber was sexually abused by Larry Nassar, former U.S. Gymnastics and Michigan State University doctor and convicted serial child molester.

Wieber came forward with her story during Nassar’s seven-day sentencing hearing in January 2018, giving one of 156 victim impact statements. In her testimony, she criticized USA Gymnastics leadership for enabling the abuse by creating a culture of isolation, fear and poor treatment of athletes.

“When you really look back, we were kids, and the adults around us were supposed to protect us,” Wieber said. “Many people turned a blind eye. Many powerful people protected other powerful people.”

Wieber continues to advocate for systemic changes in elite sports to protect athletes, such as mandated supervision during training, treatments and overseas travel.

As the 2020 season nears, Wieber and her athletes are eager for fans to fill the stands, especially the student section, at home meets, she said.

The gymnastics program staff are making changes for 2020 meets, including moving the performance floor closer to the student section, Wieber said.



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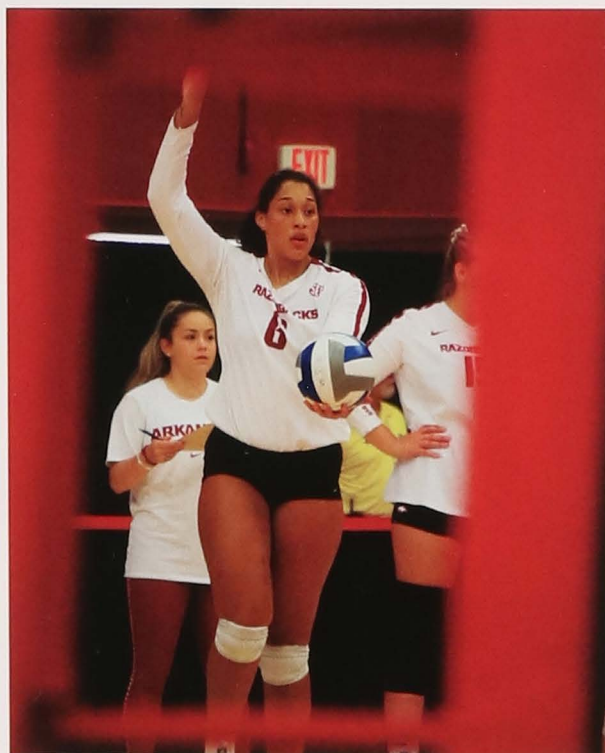
Feb. 7	UTEP	10-0
Feb. 7	Bradley	3-2
Feb. 8	Bradley	12-1
Feb. 8	New Mexico State	5-4
Feb. 9	Nebraska	15-4
Feb. 15	Furman	8-1
Feb. 15	UIC	8-3
Feb. 16	FGCU	4-1
Feb. 20	Boston University	4-1
Feb. 21	South Dakota State	13-3
Feb. 21	Marist	7-1
Feb. 22	Boston University	10-2
Feb. 22	Montana	5-0
Feb. 23	Marist	5-1
Feb. 27	Baylor	3-2
Feb. 28	Villanova	11-1
Feb. 28	Kent State	9-5
Feb. 29	Florida State	2-1
Feb. 29	Villanova	12-4
Mar. 1	Kent State	8-0
Mar. 6	Alabama	1-0
Mar. 7	Alabama	10-2
Mar. 8	Alabama	9-1
Mar. 10	Kansas	3-2
Mar. 10	Kansas	1-0

Games after March 10th were canceled due to COVID-19.
Red denotes win



VOLLEYBALL

PHOTOGRAPHY **Chloe Miller**



SCOREBOARD RESULTS & Schedules

Aug. 30	Northwestern State	3-0
Aug. 30	Little Rock	3-0
Aug. 31	Montana State	3-2
Sep. 5	West Virginia	3-0
Sep. 6	San Diego	3-0
Sep. 7	San Diego State	3-2
Sep. 10	AR-Pine Bluff	3-1
Sep. 13	Maryland	3-1
Sep. 14	Princeton	3-0
Sep. 14	George Mason	3-1
Sep. 19	Georgia Tech	3-0
Sep. 20	NC State	3-2
Sep. 25	LSU	3-0
Sep. 29	Alabama	3-2
Oct. 4	Texas A&M	3-0
Oct. 11	Florida	3-0
Oct. 13	South Carolina	3-2
Oct. 18	Ole Miss	3-1
Oct. 20	Mississippi State	3-1
Oct. 25	Missouri	3-0
Oct. 27	Auburn	3-0
Oct. 30	Georgia	3-0
Nov. 3	Kentucky	3-0
Nov. 8	Texas A&M	3-0
Nov. 13	Tennessee	3-2
Nov. 17	Alabama	3-2
Nov. 22	Ole Miss	3-2
Nov. 24	Mississippi State	3-2
Nov. 27	Florida	3-0
Nov. 29	South Carolina	3-0

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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Anna Podojil (left) and Stefani Doyle (center) play Sept. 15 during the Razorbacks' game against North Carolina. The Razorbacks were successful against North Carolina, winning the game 2-0. The Razorbacks ended their season with an overall record of 17-4-2.



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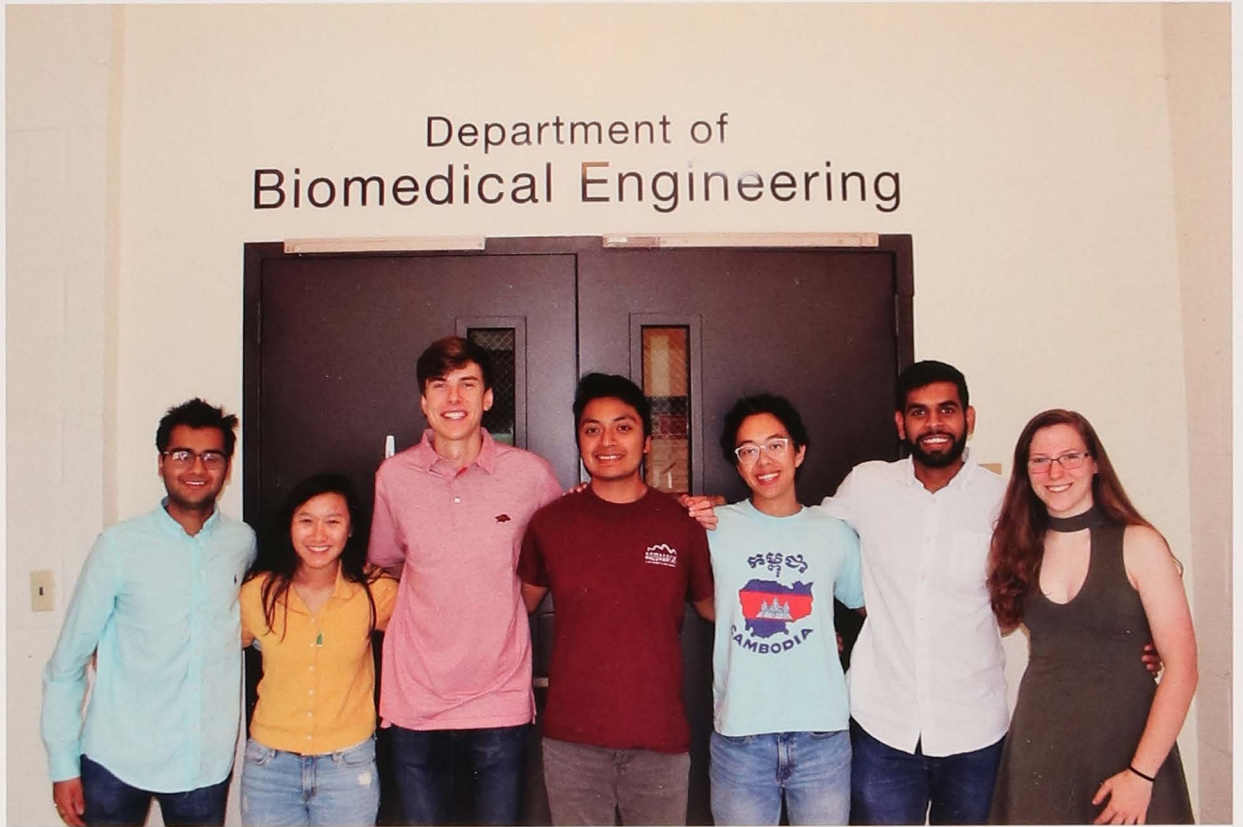


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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARDS

Seniors of Significance

The Arkansas Alumni Association is honored to announce the 2020 Seniors of Significance. A total of 71 graduating seniors, commemorating the university's founding date of 1871, were selected from more than 600 nominations and represent each University of Arkansas undergraduate academic college. These Seniors of Significance were selected based on their academic achievements, leadership skills and co-curricular activities.

A ceremony to honor the recipients of this award was held at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 30, at the Janelle E. Hembree Alumni House. During the ceremony, the Seniors of Significance received a special gold honor cord to wear during graduation as well as a Senior of Significance certificate. More than 250 people attended, including the honorees, their parents, University of Arkansas faculty and staff, as well as leadership from the university and the association.

Both the Senior Honor Citation honorees, now in its 55th year, and the Razorback Classics are selected from the 71 Seniors of Significance.



SENIORS OF SIGNIFICANCE

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 ^ indicates the student is pursuing degrees within two colleges

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 Bailey Corwine -Lyndon, Texas
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 Francia Togba -Fort Worth, Texas
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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARDS

Razorback Classics

The Arkansas Alumni Association is proud to announce the 2020 Class of Razorback Classics. This class represents the top 10 female and top 10 male graduating seniors, commemorating the university's official mascot change in 1910. A total of 20 graduating seniors were selected from more than 600 nominations. These Razorback Classics were selected based on their academic achievement, leadership skills and co-curricular activities.

This year's class of winners includes representatives from a variety of academic disciplines. Arkansans make up the majority of the recipients with 12 students hailing from the state. Other locations represented are Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas.



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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARDS

Senior Honor Citations

The Arkansas Alumni Association recognized University of Arkansas graduating seniors Kate Truitt of Fort Smith and Jared Pinkerton of Farmington, with the 2020 Senior Honor Citation.

The award was established in 1965 by the Arkansas Alumni Association to recognize a senior male and female student who each exhibits outstanding academic achievement, leadership skills and co-curricular activities.

"The Razorback family has the best traditions, opportunity after opportunity, and incredible resources, but what makes it exceptional is the community," said Pinkerton. "That sense of community is what drives a person to run across a crowded airport and shake the hand of someone wearing Razorback apparel. I am so thankful for this university and everything it has done for me."

"I've learned that being a Razorback means more than shared experiences," said Truitt. "A Razorback has the qualities that we all desire: toughness, dedication, loyalty, and fearlessness. I learned to be tough through watching a classmate's mom pass away and seeing her continue through school and achieve amazing things despite her loss. I learned dedication by watching my professors give their time and hearts to myself and my peers in each class I attended. I learned loyalty as I served on the Student Alumni Board, which provided a front-row seat to how alumni from all over the world work to make this university the best it can be. I learned to be fearless by walking on Senior Walk each day and seeing thousands of names that have come before me. Those

names were not afraid to stand up for what they believed in, be the first in their family to go to school, or even publish research that would change the world forever."

For the past five years, recognition has included a spring awards celebration known as the Cardinal & White Banquet. This year, plans were adjusted as the staff of the Arkansas Alumni Association worked with the office of University Relations and Chancellor Joe Steinmetz to honor our outstanding seniors with a virtual Cardinal and White Celebration which premiered on the association's YouTube channel on April 30 and is available for viewing at the Arkansas Alumni website.

During the celebration, the Arkansas Alumni Association recognized the Class of 2020 Razorback Classic Award winners. The class represents the top 10 female and top 10 male graduating seniors at the University of Arkansas for the academic year.

Students were selected from among 71 Seniors of Significance honored recently for academic excellence, demonstrated leadership and co-curricular involvement.

At the conclusion of the celebration, Chancellor Joe Steinmetz announced that Pinkerton and Truitt had been selected as the Senior Honor Citation recipients for 2020.

As the winners of the Senior Honor Citation, Pinkerton and Truitt received life memberships in the Arkansas Alumni Association and permanent recognition on a plaque at the alumni house. They will be invited back to campus to represent their class at events, including speaking at their Senior Walk dedication.



MALE SENIOR HONOR CITATION RECIPIENT

Jared A. Pinkerton

Jared Pinkerton was the 2019-2020 student body president. In addition to his roles with the Associated Student Government, he was the founder and president of the Theta Chi Fraternity and a distinguished delegate of the Model United Nations in Xi'an, China, among other roles.

"Being a part of the Razorback family means you are getting a community that will be your support system," Pinkerton said. "an identity that you will wear with a sense of pride, and a place to call home on the Hill."

"I have never met a student as dedicated, determined and enthusiastic as Jared," said mentor PJ Martinez. "He truly embodies the characteristics of a leader. He serves well, listens closely and advocates for those around him. He sought to unite all organizations across campus, and he successfully created innovative initiatives that boosted the university's morale. I have been impressed with the way he creates relationships with students and administrators."



FEMALE SENIOR HONOR CITATION RECIPIENT

Kate Truitt

Kate Truitt held leadership roles across campus including serving as president of the Gamma Nu Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma and vice president of Board Development for the Student Alumni Association. She has been a peer mentor and has held internships with PriceWaterhouseCoopers (PwC) and Walmart Accounting & Finance Development Program.

"I think it is safe to say that Kate intentionally chose to leave our university better than she found it, giving more than she took," said mentor Molly Rapert.

"I am very thankful to have attended a school that not only pushes me to be a better student but also to be a better person," Truitt said. "Regardless of background, age, or culture, the Razorback family is a global unit that comes together as one."



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